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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicant: MARTIN DUBS ET AL.

Serial No.: 09/484,421 Group Art Unit: 1753

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Title: SPUTTER CHAMBER AS WELL AS VACUUM TRANSPORT  
CHAMBER AND VACUUM HANDLING APPARATUS WITH  
SUCH CHAMBERS

**PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME UNDER 37 C.F.R. 1.136(a)**

Commissioner for Patents  
Washington, D.C. 20231

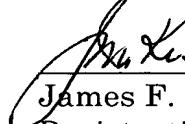
Sir:

Applicant hereby requests that the period to take action in the above-captioned application be extended by 3 months pursuant to the provisions of 37 C.F.R. 1.136(a).

A check in the amount of \$920.00 is submitted herewith in payment of the required extension fee. This amount is believed to be correct, however, the Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any deficiency, or credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account No. 05-1323 (Docket #622/48561). A duplicate copy of this letter is attached.

Respectfully submitted,

December 14, 2001

  
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